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PATENT APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Applicants hereby respectfully petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time to respond to the Office Action (Paper No. 0204) dated February 25, 2004 for a period of three (3) months from March 25, 2004 and including June 25, 2004.

Attached hereto is a responsive amendment and our check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks in the amount of \$ 475.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

In the event this check is unacceptable, insufficient or is omitted, kindly charge the additional or entire cost, as appropriate, of this extension to my deposit account number 13-3083. To facilitate that charge, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

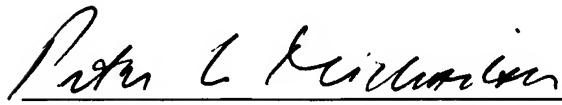
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